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Taylor's Weekly 4/18 - 4/22

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- VNC Meeting
 - BID Confrontation (BIG Confusion)
 - Not a wide spread concern and something that came up from a few people (mostly the same people that shut down the LCP meeting) was a concern that there is no public process or oversight with the BID and they are worried the BID will hire security which operate as private police and harass homeless people.
 - Vote to allow secession
 - I have gotten more details on this recently. Firstly they were voting to encourage their state representatives to amend the state law which would allow them the vote to leave Los Angeles without being blocked by Los Angeles (due to them having voted previously to join the City) and for the vote to be only in Venice and not the City at large. There was no one who spoke on it and I haven't seen anything additional about it being circulated. Marc Saltzberg voted for it and said the motion coming up and his vote was because the VNC elections is in two months and this is just a populist idea. Obviously there would be a lot of lobbying of our state representatives for this to even become an issue and I don't think there will be that follow up. As of today Ben Allen's office hadn't even heard of this motion. Fernando will let me know if they hear of anyone.